## **SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 1227**

## By Finney L

A RESOLUTION commending Regional Hospital of Jackson for designating its campus as tobacco-free.

WHEREAS, the members of this Body are desirous of recognizing those organizations and institutions that encourage living a healthier lifestyle and take steps to protect their employees and patrons from the dangerous effects of tobacco use; and

WHEREAS, long-known to cause several types of cancer and to have other detrimental effects on both its users and those nearby, tobacco has no place in the modern workplace or in any public building; and

WHEREAS, on November 20, 2008, the campus of Regional Hospital of Jackson will become tobacco-free, a decision which will surely have numerous beneficial effects; and

WHEREAS, the move to become tobacco-free displays the deep level of concern that the executives of Regional Hospital of Jackson have for both their employees and the members of the public who enter the organization's doors; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that Regional Hospital of Jackson be applauded for taking this appropriate and health-conscious step; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby commend Regional Hospital of Jackson on its decision to become tobacco-free on November 20, 2008.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.